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 (57) And they that had laid hold on Jesus led *him* away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.  
 (58) But Peter followed him afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the end.  
 (59) Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put him to death;  
 (60) But found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, *yet* found they none. At the last came two false witnesses,  
 (61) And said, This *fellow* said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.  
 (62) And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?  
 (63) But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.  
 (64) Jesus saith unto him, **Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.**  
 (65) Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.  
 (66) What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

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 (57) And those who had laid hold on Jesus led *Him* away to Caiaphas the high priest<sup>i</sup>, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.  
 (58) But Peter followed Him from a distance to the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the end.  
 (59) Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put Him to death;  
 (60) But found none: yes, though many false witnesses came, *yet* they found none. At the last two false witnesses came,  
 (61) And said, this *fellow* said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.  
 (62) And the high priest arose, and said to Him, Do You answer nothing? what *is it which* these witness against You?  
 (63) **But Jesus held His peace. And the high priest answered and said to Him, I command You by the living God, that You tell us whether You are the Christ, the Son of God.**  
 (64) Jesus said to him, **You have said so: nevertheless I say to you, Hereafter you shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven<sup>j</sup>.**  
 (65) Then the high priest tore his clothes, saying, He has spoken blasphemy; what further need do we have of witnesses? Look, now you have heard His blasphemy.  
 (66) What do you think? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

26:57i – Caiaphas the high priest – see Luke 3:2; Acts 4:6; John 18:13  
 26:64j – Mark 14:62; Luke 22:69

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(67) Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote *him* with the palms of their hands,  
(68) Saying, Prophecy unto us, thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee?  
(69) Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying, Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee.  
(70) But he denied before *them* all, saying, I know not what thou sayest.  
(71) And when he was gone out into the porch, another *maid* saw him, and said unto them that were there, This *fellow* was also with Jesus of Nazareth.  
(72) And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man.  
(73) And after a while came unto *him* they that stood by, and said to Peter, Surely thou also art *one* of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee.  
(74) Then began he to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not the man. And immediately the cock crew.  
(75) And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

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(2) And when they had bound him, they led *him* away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor.

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(67) Then they spat in His face, and pushed Him; and others struck *Him* with the palms of their hands,  
(68) Saying, Prophecy to us, You Christ, Who is the one who struck you?  
(69) Now Peter sat outside in the palace: and a young girl came to him, saying, You also were with Jesus of Galilee.  
(70) But he denied before *them* all, saying, I do not know what you are saying.  
(71) And when he had gone out into the porch, another *maid* saw him, and said to those who were there, This *fellow* was also with Jesus of Nazareth.  
(72) And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the Man.  
(73) And after a while those who stood by came to *him*, and said to Peter, Surely you also are *one* of them; because your speech betrays you.  
(74) Then he began to curse and to swear, *saying*, I do not know the Man. And immediately the cock crowed.  
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(3) Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,  
(4) Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What *is that* to us? see thou *to that*.  
(5) And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself.  
(6) And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.  
(7) And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in.  
(8) Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.  
(9) Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value;  
(10) And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.  
(11) And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, **Thou sayest.**  
(12) And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.

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**And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price that He was valued, Whom those of the children of Israel did value;**  
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27:10a - Zech. 11:12-13

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(13) Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee?  
(14) And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly.  
(15) Now at *that* feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would.  
(16) And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.  
(17) Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?  
(18) For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.  
(19) When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.  
(20) But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus.  
(21) The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas.  
(22) Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? *They* all say unto him, Let him be crucified.  
(23) And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.  
(24) When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but *that* rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed *his* hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye *to it*.

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(25) Then answered all the people, and said, His blood *be* on us, and on our children.  
(26) Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered *him* to be crucified.  
(27) Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band *of soldiers*.  
(28) And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe.  
(29) And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put *it* upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!  
(30) And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.  
(31) And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify *him*.  
(32) And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.  
(33) And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,  
(34) They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted *thereof*, he would not drink.  
(35) And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots.

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**They parted My clothes among them, and for My robe they cast lots<sup>e</sup>.**

27:30b - Is. 50:6

27:32c - Simon of Cyrene -father of Alexander and Rufus - Mk 15:21; Rom. 16:13

27:34d - The vinegar and gall was a sedative. Jesus would not accept the sedative.

27:35e - Ps. 22:18